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Attorney Docket No. 03702/LH**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Atsushi MIYAWAKI
Serial No. : 10/718,884
Filed : November 20, 2003
For : ILLUMINATION APPARATUS FOR
MICROSCOPE AND IMAGE
PROCESSING APPARATUS USING
THE SAME
Art Unit : 2872
Examiner : Mark A. Robinson

A M E N D M E N T

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
September 20, 2005, the term for response to which expires on
December 20, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-6, 11-17,
19-22 and 25-34 are amended; claims 7-10 and 18 are canceled; and
claims 23 and 24 are maintained.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.

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